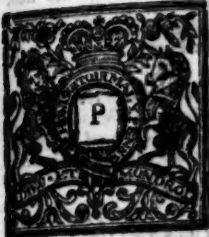


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POLITICAL Bodies, as well as Natural ones, are subject to Distempers, Infirmities and Decay; Wars, Conspiracies, Civil Commotions, and a Thousand other Accidents will put a Period to the Being of the most potent Monarchies, and best constituted States. All those mighty Empires that filled the former Ages of the World with their Magnificence, Grandeur and Power, have now no other Traces of them left, than those faint, imperfect Sketches that are to be found in the antient Historians. The superb and sumptuous Kingdoms of the East, the brave and opulent Commonwealths of Greece, and the glorious Republicks of Carthage and Rome, have been long since swallowed up in the Abyss of Time, and those great and happy Countries which were once the Seats of Arts and Knowledge, and which gave the World so many wise Law-givers, so many eminent Philosophers, and illustrious Heroes, are now over-run with Superstition and Tyranny, Ignorance and Poverty, and are become either Receptacles for Monks, or Nests for Thieves and Pyrates.

BUT tho' no extraordinary Accidents should happen to a State; tho' it should be engaged in no Wars abroad, nor Factions at home; tho' it should have Strength and Force enough to resist all the Attempts of its foreign Enemies, and Laws so wisely administer'd, and so vigorously executed, as to have nothing to fear from Domestick ones, yet even in this happy and fortunate Situation, a Government may visibly languish and decay; the Genius of a People may degenerate; their Habits, Dispositions and Manners may alter; their native Spirit and Courage may forsake them; too much Plenty and Abundance will beget Sloth and Inactivity, and breed as many and as dangerous Diseases in the Body Politick, as they do in the Human Body. The Spaniards were once a brave, gallant, active, enterprising People; they threatened Europe with universal Monarchy; they extended their Arms and their Conquests beyond the Line, and in new Countries, till then unknown, founded an Empire, more opulent and more extensive than that which they were possessed with at Home. Venice was formerly the Mart of Europe; all the Wealth and Riches of the East passed thro' her Hands; she was in her Prosperity, what Carthage had been in former Ages, famous for her Policy, and powerful by her Commerce; she extended her Conquests, as well as her Navigation, over Asia, Egypt, Syria, Pontus, Greece, and other Countries bordering upon the Ocean; and defeated the whole naval Armament of the Ottoman Empire, at the Battle of Lepanto. Genoa, whose Dominions do not exceed some private Lordships in England, grew from a barren Rock into a City, that for State, Riches and Magnificence, equalled the greatest Emporiums in the World. She employ'd above 40,000 Hands in the filken Manufacture; she gave signal Proofs of her Power against the Saracens, and was even a Match for Venice herself, when her Admiral Paganus Doria, engaged the Fleet of that powerful Republick in the Year 1352, near the Streight of Posphorus; and yet what is Spain? what is Venice? what is Genoa now? what is become of that noble and generous Spirit which once animated their People to such glorious Undertakings in the Days of their Prosperity? The Diminution of their ancient Power and Grandeur, has not been occasioned by foreign Wars, nor by Factions and Divisions at Home: Other States have suffered more from those Causes, and yet maintain their State and Figure in the World; the Truth is, the Genius of those People is wore out, by too much Abundance they became forgetful of the Means, which made them Great and Opulent; like young Spendthrifts come to the Possession of a vast Estate, acquir'd by the Labour, Industry and Frugality of their Ancestors, they squander'd away in a few Years, what had been the Work of Ages to acquire; and saw with indifference and unconcern, Trade and Commerce leaving them, and going into other Channels; and those rich Fleets that once croud'd their Ports and Harbours, and unladen their Treasures on their Shores, sail by their Coasts, and carry that Wealth, which they used to distribute over the World, to Countries that

but a little before were either unfrequented Deserts, or Inhabited only by a few poor Fishermen, while they sat at Home, bestowing upon themselves, instead of the real Wealth and Grandeur they had lost, the vain and empty Titles of Magnificent, Illustrious Lords, and Noble Genese and Penetians.

AND when once a State begins to decline, it seldom or never recovers itself again; for as soon as its Weakness is known (and it cannot be long kept a Secret) its Neighbours will lay hold of every Occasion to insult and quarrel with it, and perhaps at last it must be obliged to buy its Peace with the Loss of half its Provinces. Groundless Complaints will be made, stale Demands will be revived, and the most indifferent Actions will be construed into Affronts, to furnish out a Pretence to attack a State, who is no longer able to defend itself, and whose Fate they have determined: Or if those Measures should be too glaring, and it should be necessary to act with more Caution and Circumspection, for fear of giving the Alarm to other Powers, some leading Malecontents will be excited and encouraged to take up Arms for the Redress of Grievances, who will be supported privately and underhand only, but not avowed, till Affairs are ripe for their Principals to declare themselves; and then the Mask will be taken off, and the Instruments that are employ'd to conduct the Design, will be the first that will fall Sacrifices to the Jealousy and Policy of their new Masters.

It is not Wisdom and Policy alone, the Excellency of a Constitution, or a just and well adapted System of Laws; it is not a great and wise Prince, nor able and honest Ministers, nor just and upright Magistrates, that will alone preserve a State in Health and Vigour; the People too must do their Part; they must be brave, industrious, frugal, free from Faction, and Lovers of their Country; but then they ought to consider, that Love to their Country does not consist in Clamours, and Invectives against those that have the Administration of the Publick Affairs, nor in following of every false Guide, who pretends to an extraordinary Portion of Virtue and Publick Zeal; for such Men are always justly to be suspected, and more Nations have been undone, and reduced to a State of Slavery and Beggary, by those artful and popular Deceivers, than by ambitious Princes or wicked Ministers.

EDINBURGH, June 3.

Proceedings of the General Assembly, May 25.

Enjoin'd all the Judicatories of this Church, to use their best Endeavours to put a Stop to the Abominations of Perjury, in many of the Custom houses in Scotland, especially in the French Wine Trade.

Ordered, that the Sentence of the greater Excommunication, pronounced against Agnes Doeg in Aberbrothock, who brought forth five Children, and never found a Father to any of them except to one, and like Sentence pass'd against Mr. John Robertson late Schoolmaster at Kirkcudbright, be intimated in all the Churches of Scotland.

Assembly dissolv'd. Next Assembly to be the 2d Thursday of May, 1737.

To the KING's most Excellent MAJESTY,
The Humble ADDRESS of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most faithful, and most loyal Subjects, the Ministers and Elders now met in a National Assembly of the Church of Scotland, beg Leave to offer to your Majesty our most sincere and unanimous Congratulations, on the joyful Occasion of the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with the most serene Princess Augusta of Saxe-Gotha.

As the Church of Scotland has never failed to give convincing Proofs of her Loyalty to your Majesty, and of her steady Attachment to the Protestant Succession in your most August House; so it cannot but fill our Hearts with Joy and Gratitude, when we reflect on the Goodness of God, and your Majesty's fatherly Care and Wisdom, in thus providing for the lasting

Continuance of those invaluable Blessings secured to your People by the happy Revolution, and the Settlement of the Crown in the Protestant Line.

We may expect, through the Favour of God, from this auspicious Alliance, that there will never be wanting Princes, Descendants of your Majesty, to support and assert the Protestant Cause against Popery and arbitrary Power, and to prove in their Day what the magnanimous Elector of Saxony was in his, and your Majesty is in our's.

That a rich Increase of Comforts may flow upon your Majesty from this desirable Event; that all Felicities may be poured out on their Royal Highnesses, and all your Royal Family; that your Majesty may long be preserved for a Blessing to your People blessed by them, and by all the Protestant Churches, till after all earthly Joy and Prosperity an eternal Crown is conferred upon you; and that your Majesty's Royal Offspring may to the End of Time fill the Throne of these Realms, is and shall be, to the Almighty God, the earnest Prayer of,

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most faithful, most obedient, and most loyal Subjects, the Ministers and Elders met in the National Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Signed in our Name, in our Presence, and at our Appointment, by

LAUCHLAN M'INTOSH, Moderator.

Edinburgh, 15
May 1736.

L O N D O N

We hear, there is a Clause in the Act for indemnifying Persons who have been guilty of Offences against the Laws made for securing the Revenues of Customs and Excise, and for enforcing those Laws for the future, commonly called the Smuggling Act.

That if any Person or Persons who hath committed, or been guilty of any of the Offence or Offences, for which any Person or Persons is, or are, by any Law, or Statute now in being, liable to be transported as a Felon or Felons, shall, for any of the said Offences, take, or receive the Benefit of the Act, and shall afterwards be guilty of, or commit any of the said Offences for which he, she, or they is, or are now liable to be transported; then all and every such Person and Persons being duly convicted of, or for any of the said Offences hereafter to be committed, and upon due Proof made that such Person or Persons had committed any of the same Offences before the making of the said Act, and had taken or received the Benefit thereof for his, her, or their Discharge, shall be adjudged guilty of Felony, and shall suffer Death, as in Cases of Felony without Benefit of Clergy.

Yesterday Morning died at his House in Chancery Lane, William Peer Williams, Esq; an Eminent Counsellor at Law.

On Wednesday last Mr. Richard Chapman, a Domestick belonging to the Right Hon. the Lady Hamilton, was appointed Footman to her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales.

The same Day the Right Hon. the Lord Dillon took Leave of the Queen, and Yesterday of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, in order to set out for France To-morrow.

Yesterday the Sessions began at the Old-Baily, when 33 Prisoners were try'd, 21 whereof were sent for Transportation, and 12 acquitted.

Yesterday Bank Stock was 148 1-8th. India 176. South Sea 98 3-4ths to 99. Old Annuity 111 5-8ths to 3-4ths. New ditto, 111 3-8ths to 1-half. Three per Cent. 104 3-4ths. Emperor's Loan 117 1-half. Royal Assurance 110. London Assurance 14 3-4ths. York Buildings 2. African 14. India Bonds 61. 12s. to 13s. Premium. Three per Cent. ditto 51. 6s. Premium. South Sea Bonds 51. 18s. to 19s. Prem. New Bank Circulation 71. 5s. Prem. Salt Tallies 4 to 6 1-4th Premium. English Copper 21. 3s. Welsh ditto, no Price. Three 1-half per Cent. Exchequer Orders 6 1-4th per Cent. Prem. Million Bank 115.



STOLEN or Strayed from Thomas
Bray of Tothill, near Horncastle, in the County of Lincoln, on the 29th of September last, a Brown Bay Gelding, comes Six Years old, about 14 Hands and a half High; one white Foot behind, this Brand on his near Shoulder, a bald Face, a White on his under Lip, a Lu up under his fur Jaw, in the Halter Place, a little Under-made, and pads well. Whoever can give Notice of the said Horse, so that he may be had again, to the above-said Thomas Bray, or to Mr. William Walls, at the Post Office in Horncastle aforesaid, shall have a Guinea Reward and reasonable Charges.

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